

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (52 New)

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: JOHN TODD  
Theft of Government Property (A)

OO: Butte

DATE: 3-5-79

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At 2:50pm, 3-5-79, an anonymous caller telephoned the FBI, Butte, stating that he would not stay on the phone long, would not state where he was calling from, nor identify himself. The caller sounded like an adult male, he used good grammar, was well spoken, he did not seem to be at all intoxicated.

The caller advised that JOHN TODD resides on a 10-acre farm at Route # 1, Box 143, Florence, Montana. He stated that TODD claims to be a mercenary and that he was formerly a part of the "Jones thing," from the Los Angeles area.

*The agent* I asked him what he was referring to in the "Jones thing." He advised that it was a part of the organization which participated in the mass suicide.

The caller advised that TODD has been training persons on the 10-acre farm near Florence in the use of M-16 fully-automatic weapons and other foreign-make automatic weapons. The caller stated that he personally observed TODD and others burying a box of hand grenades on the farm and also he saw five LARS Rockets. He stated that he has observed people training in weapons and hand-to-hand combat. He described JOHN TODD AS:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6' 4"
Weight	220 #

*The caller said* TODD claims he was formerly with the special Forces and he usually wears Special Forces-type fatigue clothing.

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JOHN TODD

The caller advised that TODD has been in the Florence, Montana, area for about two months.

An attempt was made to obtain the identity of the caller, and an attempt was made to have him be in touch with an FBI SA. He refused such a contact.

The caller advised that TODD and his group were supposed to be going to Los Angeles this weekend for some type of a mission, the nature of which was unknown to him.

The above information was furnished to SA JOSEPH H SERVEL at 3:35pm, 3-5-79.

IN VIEW OF THE NATURE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF JOHN TODD, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, TGP (A), OO BUTTE.

BUTTE OFFICE RECEIVED ANONYMOUS CALL, MARCH 5, 1979, AT 3:05 P.M. CALLER REPORTED JOHN TODD, WHO HAS 10 ACRE FARM LOCATED ROUTE 1, BOX 143, FLORENCE, MONTANA, STOCK-PILING WEAPONS. CALLER ADVISED HE HAS SEEN U. S. M-16 FULLY-AUTOMATIC RIFLES, FOREIGN-MADE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, AND FIVE LAR'S ROCKETS AT TODD RESIDENCE. ALSO CLAIMS TO HAVE

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SEEN BOX OF GRENADES BEING BURIED ON THE FARM. ALLEGES TRAINING EXERCISES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED AND GROUP LEAVING FOR MISSION IN CALIFORNIA THIS WEEKEND. ANONYMOUS CALLER DECLINED TO BE MORE SPECIFIC AND HUNG UP.

BUTTE HAS LOCATED ARTICLE CAPTIONED, "THE LEGEND OF JOHN TODD," IN THE FEBRUARY 2, 1979, ISSUE OF PUBLICATION, "CHRISTIANITY TODAY," VOLUME 23, NO. 9, KENNETH S. KANTZER, EDITOR, WHICH STATES TODD ALLEGES PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER IS ANTI-CHRIST AND HIS SISTER, RUTH CARTER STAPLETON, IS LEADING HIGH PRIESTESS OF WITCHCRAFT, WHO TAUGHT TODD FINER POINTS OF THE BEWITCHING ART. TODD ALSO ALLEGES CARTER TAKES ORDERS DIRECTLY FROM THE ROTHCHILDS AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD PUSH THROUGH LEGISLATION OUTLAWING PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF GUNS, REMOVING TAX EXEMPTION FROM ALL CHURCHES EXCEPT THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, BANX ✓ CONVERSION TO OTHER RELIGION, AND PROHIBIT THE STORING OF FOOD AND MEDICINE. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, TODD ALSO ALLEGES THE ROTHCHILDS WILL CREATE A FALSE FUEL SHORTAGE, CONFISCATE ALL GUNS, AND CALL FOR THE MURDER AND TORTURE OF CHRISTIANS WHOSE NAMES HAVE BEEN STORED IN COMPUTERS. TO SURVIVE, TODD

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SAYS CHRISTIANS MUST ARM THEMSELVES, BUILD UP FOOD SUPPLIES TO LAST FIVE YEARS, HIDE IN WILDERNESS FORTRESSES, AND KILL ATTACKERS.

THIS ARTICLE INDICATES TODD HAS LIVED AT CANOGA PARK, CALIFORNIA; SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA; DAYTON, OHIO; INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA; PHOENIX, ARIZONA; AND SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS WITHIN PAST TEN YEARS.

ARTICLE ALSO STATES TODD HAS FELONY WARRANT ISSUED AGAINST HIM IN NEW MEXICO FOR PASSING BAD CHECKS; WAS ARRESTED IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, IN 1968, FOR MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY; SERVED TWO SIX-MONTH SENTENCES IN DAYTON, OHIO, FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNRULINESS OF A MINOR, AFTER A 16 YEAR-OLD GIRL TOLD POLICE ABOUT THE WITCHCRAFT INITIATION ~~RITE~~ <sup>RITE</sup> CARRIED OUT IN THE NUDE, DURING WHICH TODD FORCED HER TO HAVE ORAL SEX AND TODD ALLEGED TO HAVE OTHER ARREST RECORDS.

TODD, WHO IS ALSO KNOWN AS LANCE COLLINS, DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE APPROXIMATELY 29, 6' 4", NO OTHER DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE TO BUTTE.

BUTTE INDICES NEGATIVE. TODD HAS NO RECORD, RAVALLI COUNTY SO, HAMILTON, MONTANA, WHICH COVERS FLORENCE, MONTANA

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HAS NO MONTANA DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IS UNKNOWN TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES. LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORTS OF AUTOMATIC RIFLE FIRE IN AREA.

RECEIVING OFFICES REQUESTED TO SUTEL ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION. ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT WANTED.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM ANONYMOUS CALLER, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, TCP (A), OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU, MARCH 5, 1979.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUTTE, A REVIEW OF ALBUQUERQUE INDICES REFLECTS TWO REFERENCES FOR A JOHN D. TODD, ONE OF WHICH IS NOT IDENTICAL TO CAPTIONED SUBJECT AND THE OTHER HAS BEEN DESTROYED (CO MIAMI). CONTACT WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, ALBUQUERQUE, FAILED TO REVEAL ANY WANTED INFORMATION FOR SUBJECT.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RE COMMUNICATION, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, TCP (A): OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU 3/6/79.

INDICES CHECK AT INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE IN REFERENCE TO  
JOHN TODD, REVEALED A SUBJECT, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
FILE (37-21488).

INVESTIGATION AT INDIANAPOLIS CONTINUING, TO DETERMINE  
IF [REDACTED] IDENTICAL TO CAPTIONED SUBJECT.

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] WAS OBTAINED:  
WHITE MALE, 6'1", 172, HAIR/ BROWN, EYES/ BROWN, DOB/ [REDACTED]  
POB/ BEDFORD, INDIANA, PARENTS/ [REDACTED]  
INDIANA, EDUCATION/ HIGH SCHOOL, 1969 BEDFORD, INDIANA, MARITAL  
STATUS/ DIVORCED, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

INDIANAPOLIS AT COLUMBUS, INDIANA. WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN  
PHOTO AND ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFO ON [REDACTED] AND FORWARD

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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, IGP (A). OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, MARCH 6, 1979.

CHECK OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S LICENSE  
ISSUANCE AND DRIVER RECORDS COMPUTER, AUSTIN, TEXAS, REVEALED  
TOO MANY POSSIBILITIES UNDER THE NAME JOHN TODD FOR COMPUTER  
PRINTOUT.

NO RECORD OF DRIVERS LICENSE UNDER NAME LANCE COLLINS  
LOCATED.

MANUAL CHECK OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S (DPS)  
LICENSE RECORDS REVEALED 16 PAGES CONTAINING 20 PLUS NAMES  
PER PAGE OF INDIVIDUALS NAMED JOHN TODD HOLDING TEXAS DRIVERS  
LICENSE. ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE DATA NECESSARY FOR POSITIVE  
CHECK; HOWEVER, BASED ON DATA FURNISHED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE,  
NONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS RESIDED SAN ANTONIO AREA.

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FILES OF IDENTIFICATION DIVISION, SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND COMPUTERIZED FILES, BEXAR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, FAILED TO REVEAL ANY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT.

TODD CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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JOHN TODD, AKA. LANCE COLLINS, TGP (A). OO: BUTTE.

RE INDIANAPOLIS TELETYPE DATED MARCH 6, 1979.

INDIANAPOLIS INDICES REFLECT A 1975 ITSP CASE ON [REDACTED]

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ON MARCH 7, 1979, SHERIFF MIKE COY, BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, COLUMBUS, INDIANA, ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] COY ADVISED [REDACTED]

DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]

SSAN [REDACTED]

ON MARCH 7, 1979, INDIANA DATA AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM  
(IDACS) SHOWS [REDACTED] WITH AN ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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ON MARCH 7, 1979, [REDACTED] (PROTECT), [REDACTED], U.S.  
POST OFFICE, NORMAN, INDIANA, ADVISED [REDACTED] DOES CURRENTLY LIVE  
AT [REDACTED] WITH HIS WIFE AND THREE  
CHILDREN. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

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BASED ON THE ABOVE INFORMATION, IT APPEARS [REDACTED] NOT  
IDENTICAL WITH SUBJECT. INDIANAPOLIS PLANS NO FURTHER  
INVESTIGATION REGARDING [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC JAY E. BAILEY (52-5765)

DATE: 3/7/79

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (P)

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SUBJECT: JOHN TODD, aka,  
LANCE COLLINS  
TGP (A)  
OO: BUTTE

On 3/7/79 SA [REDACTED] Phoenix Division, provided the following information concerning JOHN TODD:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] No additional record was located. SA [REDACTED] advised that full details of arrest and driver's license photo, if available, would be provided Butte.

TODD CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS

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TO BUTTE (52-5765) ROUTINE

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CHANGED JOHN TODD, AKA., LANCE COLLINS, JOHN WAYNE TODD, JOHNNIE  
WAYNE TODD, TGP (A) OO: BUTTE

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, MARCH 6, 1979.

TITLE MARKED CHANGED TO ADD ADDITIONAL ALIASES OF JOHN WAYNE  
TODD AND JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD. TITLE PREVIOUSLY CARRIED AS "JOHN  
TODD, AKA., LANCE COLLINS, TGP (A), OO: BUTTE".

ON MARCH 7, 1979, [REDACTED] MONTGOMERY COUNTY CO,  
AND [REDACTED] DAYTON, OHIO PD, ADVISED THAT A REVIEW OF  
THEIR RESPECTIVE FILES REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING  
SUBJECT:

SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED INITIALLY ON FEBRUARY 10, 1976, AND  
CHARGED WITH CONTRIBUTING TO UNRULINESS, HOWEVER, ON

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OCTOBER 13, 1976, THE CHARGE WAS CHANGED TO CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELINQUENCY OF A MINOR AND HE <sup>Sentenced</sup> ~~WAS CHARGED~~ WITH SIX MONTHS AT THE DAYTON HUMAN RELATION CENTER (DHRC). [REDACTED]

OHIO PD ADVISED THE ONLY CHARGES OUTSTANDING FOR SUBJECT IS A TRAFFIC CAPIAS ISSUED OCTOBER 13, 1978, FOR CHARGE OF NO DRIVER'S LICENSE AND THE CHARGE IS STILL PENDING. FROM THE RECORDS OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY SO AND THE DAYTON PD, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION WAS OBTAINED REGARDING SUBJECT:

NAME JOHN WAYNE TODD, AKA., LANCE COLLINS, JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD, DOB MAY 19, 1946, POB COLUMBUS, OHIO, SSAN 273-50-2370, WHITE MALE, 6'4" TALL, 210 LBS., BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, MARITAL STATUS MARRIED, ADDRESSES, ON FEBRUARY 12, 1976, LISTED AS 123 WEST XENIA DR., FAIRPORT, OHIO; ON OCTOBER 15, 1976, LISTED AS 722 MARTINDALE, UNION, OHIO, EMPLOYMENT IS SHOWN AS SELF, STORE OWNER (OCCULT SHOP).

ON MARCH 7, 1979, [REDACTED] RECORDS CLERK, COLUMBUS, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED SHE COULD LOCATE NO RECORD IN FILE IDENTIFIABLE WITH JOHN TODD, AKA, LANCE COLLINS.

ON THE SAME DATE, [REDACTED] RECORDS CLERK, FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, COLUMBUS, OHIO, ADVISED SHE COULD LOCATE NO RECORD IN FILE IDENTIFIABLE WITH JOHN TODD, AKA.

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LANCE COLLINS.

DAYTON, AT DAYTON, OHIO, WILL CONTACT DAYTON HUMAN  
RELATION CENTER AND OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT TO BE  
FORWARDED TO BUTTE.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE AND INFORMATION  
RECEIVED FROM ANONYMOUS CALLER, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED  
AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio  
March 1, 1976

RE: DETECTIVE [REDACTED]  
SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT;  
JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD - VICTIM

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On February 18, 1976, a letter was received at the FBI Resident Agency, Dayton, Ohio, on the letterhead of the Aquarian Anti-Defamation League, Inc. (AADL), Post Office Box 3720, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which was dated February 10, 1976. A copy of which is attached.

In view of the allegations contained in this correspondence a Special Agent of the FBI contacted Johnnie Wayne Todd, by telephone at his place of employment, the Witches Cauldron, 3140 North Main Street, Dayton, Ohio, on February 18, 1976, to make arrangements for interview.

Todd at that time stated he was trying to bring charges against certain police officers; that he would not consent to be interviewed before talking with his attorney and that he would like his attorney present during any interview with the FBI.

He said the problem basically was that he could not understand why FBI Agent [REDACTED] had been at Todd's home in Dayton, Ohio, with police officers in October, 1975, following a shooting incident resulting in an illegal search of Todd's home by police. He said he had concluded that [REDACTED] was an innocent bystander and was not a part of any conspiracy against him.

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- ① - Cincinnati (44-NB [REDACTED])

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT;  
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William A. Shira, III contacted the FBI Resident Agency in Dayton, identified himself as Todd's attorney, and arrangements were made for interview with Todd in the Resident Agency, on February 20, 1976. Shira at that time echoed Todd's sentiment that there appeared to be no problem connected with Special Agent [REDACTED]

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Johnnie Wayne Todd had previously been interviewed on May 30, 1975, by Special Agents of the FBI, concerning a robbery of the Winters National Bank and Trust Company, Salem Mall Branch, 5200 Salem Avenue, Trotwood, Ohio, which had occurred that same date. Todd furnished information pertinent to the investigation [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

In October, 1975, Special Agent [REDACTED] generally known as [REDACTED] was in the vicinity of Todd's residence, 302 Forest Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, at approximately 2:00 P. M., when he observed Todd on the front porch of his residence holding a handgun. Shortly thereafter and while in close proximity to the Todd home, Special Agent [REDACTED] heard what appeared to be a gunshot from inside the house. He pulled into a private driveway near the rear of the Todd residence and by radio requested that Dayton Police be advised of a possible shooting there.

Approximately two minutes later he heard two more gunshots in the Todd home.

Dayton Police who had reached the scene were approaching the Todd house, accompanied by Special Agent [REDACTED] and two other Agents who had arrived when Todd came out of the house holding a handgun which he handed to Special Agent [REDACTED] and said "they went that way". He pointed generally in the same direction as where [REDACTED] FBI car was parked. Todd then got into a police cruiser to help find two people who had reportedly shot

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DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
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at him inside his house.

Shortly thereafter other uniformed and plainclothes police officers arrived and within five to ten minutes the police cruiser containing Todd also returned to the scene.

Todd stated that upon entering his house, previously, he had been fired upon by one or two persons and had returned fire with his own gun, after which the persons who shot at him had fled through the back door of his residence.

Special Agent [REDACTED] from the time he heard the first gunshot had an excellent view of the rear area of Todd's house and he observed no one come out the door except Todd when Dayton Police arrived.

Agent [REDACTED] made an appointment with Todd for the following date concerning the bank robbery matter under investigation and he and the other two Agents departed the scene.

On February 20, 1976, Sergeant [REDACTED] Dayton Ohio Police Department, advised that Johnnie Wayne Todd had been arrested February 10, 1976, by Detective [REDACTED] Juvenile Unit, Dayton Police Department, for contributing to the unruliness of a minor and that he was released on bond February 12, 1976. [REDACTED] investigation to locate several runaway juvenile girls involved Todd, [REDACTED] and associates, all of whom are reported to be witches in the Dayton, Ohio area. The charges against Todd involved a 16 year old girl, who had given a statement admitting induction into witchcraft by Todd and having had sexual relations with Todd.

On December 31, 1975, Detective [REDACTED] and a woman case worker from Dayton Children Services Bureau, had gone to the Witches Cauldron to locate a 13 year old runaway girl, who according to another runaway had gone there.

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT,  
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In Todd's absence and after receiving consent to do so from [REDACTED] store employee, [REDACTED] and the case worker had searched the store for the juvenile girl without finding her. Todd subsequently lodged a complaint with the Dayton Police Department over this incident, however, investigation by the Internal Affairs Division of the Dayton Police Department had cleared [REDACTED] of any wrongdoing.

On or about February 4, 1976, Detective [REDACTED] obtained a warrant for the search of Todd's home, at 123 West Xenia Drive, Fairborn, Ohio, through the Municipal Court at Fairborn, Ohio, and executed this warrant accompanied by Fairborn Police. This warrant was to search for a female juvenile, age 14, who was not found, however, certain documentary evidence concerning witchcraft was seized pursuant to the warrant.

Prior to the arrival of Todd and his attorney on February 20, 1976, two other persons appeared at the Dayton Resident Agency, who identified themselves as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of the AADL, and [REDACTED] Salem, Missouri, Trustee, the Church and School of Wicca.

[REDACTED] stated he was responsible for the letter of February 10, 1976, from the AADL, copies of which had also been sent to Director, FBI and to the United States Attorney at Dayton, Ohio.

[REDACTED] went on to say that he and [REDACTED] representing two separate occult groups, had come to Dayton, Ohio, to investigate Johnnie Wayne Todd, about whom they had developed serious doubts and reservations and who they have decided may be psychotic. Todd in recent weeks has called [REDACTED] repeatedly with a variety of allegations against Dayton Police and the FBI, and they no longer have any faith in the wild and unbelievable stories Todd has told.

They have learned that Todd is also linked to

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people who are campaigning against the occult, i.e. Nazi and Neo-Nazi Movement, who possibly planted Todd in their midst to disrupt their efforts and to set back their ongoing education of the American public as to the true meaning of witchcraft and the occult in general.

In support of Todd a large demonstration at the Dayton Police Department had been planned by the occult community from all over the Country on February 21, 1976, however, due to Todd's irrational behavior and possible involvement in criminal activities (which they do not condone) this proposed demonstration had been cancelled.

[REDACTED] described himself as a form <sup>of</sup> religious activist on the University of California campus at Berkeley, California, where he acquired a Bachelor's Degree in magic.

[REDACTED] described himself as having a Ph.D. in Mathematics and Physics from London University, London, England. Although previously employed by North American Aviation, he is currently occupied as a pig farmer at Salem, Missouri.

[REDACTED] said that he had committed a grievous mistake approximately two weeks earlier by ordaining Johnnie Wayne Todd as a minister in the Church of Wicca. He said that in view of recent events involving Todd and because of Todd's irratiionale, one of his reasons for being in Dayton, Ohio was to defrock Todd as Wicca minister and in furtherance of doing so he had the necessary papers in his briefcase to post legal notices to this effect in the Dayton newspapers.

Before leaving [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said they hoped to be able to talk with Dayton Police to obtain whatever information they might have and to assist the Dayton Police in exposing Todd if at all possible.

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT,  
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Later on the same date, Todd arrived at the Dayton Resident Agency accompanied by William A. Shira, III, Attorney at Law, and Kurt R. Portmann, Staff Attorney, Public Defender Association, of Dayton, Inc.

Todd said that he had been interviewed by Special Agent [REDACTED] of the FBI in connection with a bank robbery in mid-1975; that he had cooperated to the best of his ability;

[REDACTED] in the matter and that at no time had he been treated other than as a gentleman by [REDACTED] and other FBI Agents with whom he had contact. His only reservation about [REDACTED] was why [REDACTED] was present at his home with the police on or about October 28, 1975, following a shooting incident. b3 FRCP Rule 6(e)

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On that date, he said he had gone to his home on 5 Oaks Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, at approximately 2:00 P. M., entering by the back door, after which he laid his cap in the kitchen and went into the front room where he saw broken glass, after which he found a window pane broken in his front door. He walked out the front door, took a revolver from his car and called Dayton Police from the house next door to report a burglary.

He returned to his house and on the front porch he cocked the revolver before entering. He briefly glimpsed one and possibly two people going out his back door and fired one shot in that direction, after which he ran next door, called the police to report the shooting and then returned home to await the arrival of the police.

When the police arrived he walked out the back door, recognized Special Agent [REDACTED] to whom he handed his revolver before getting into a police cruiser to help look for the men who had allegedly shot at him. Shortly thereafter, he returned home in the cruiser and saw Special Agent [REDACTED] standing in his back yard talking to a uniformed sergeant. Todd then went inside his house where he found Dayton Police Officers conducting a illegal search, by going through his drawers and looking through

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RE: DETECTIVE [REDACTED]  
SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT;  
JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD - VICTIM

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everything there. Agent [REDACTED] who was not inside, did not participate in this search.

[REDACTED] made an appointment with Todd for the next day concerning the bank robbery matter, and departed.

Todd said he could not understand why [REDACTED] had seen no one leave his house by the back door.

Todd was told that [REDACTED] on that date had intended to reinterview Todd in connection with the bank robbery; that [REDACTED] had heard shots inside Todd's house when he arrived and that [REDACTED] by radio had requested that Dayton Police be dispatched to the scene. Todd said he could now understand why [REDACTED] was there on that occasion and stated he had no further reason to believe that [REDACTED] or any FBI Agent was involved in wrongdoing.

He said he had no fear under the circumstances of being killed by the FBI.

Todd questioned whether or not the FBI had been at his store, Witches Cauldron, in Dayton, Ohio, on September 24, 1975, in his absence, when he understood it had been searched according to an employee. He was told that Agents positively were not there on that occasion and that no Agents of the FBI had ever been involved in a search of his store nor had they ever participated in any search of anything relating to Todd.

Todd stated he understood and believed this and he expressed the opinion that the police only were involved.

Three weeks after the shooting incident in his home Todd's store, The Witches Cauldron, was robbed and one suspect in the robbery was shot by Todd, however, he managed to escape. The robbery has not been solved by the Dayton Police.



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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
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According to Todd, his store and the homes of friends have been searched by force by Detective [REDACTED] of the Dayton Police Department and other Dayton Police looking for one or more runaway juvenile girls. Todd has no personal knowledge of these searches, but stated that police did not have warrants for these searches.

The only search he has personal knowledge of was a search by warrant of his residence at 123 West Xenia Drive, Fairborn, Ohio, on February 4, 1976, which was by a search warrant obtained from the Fairborn Municipal Court. This warrant was for a runaway female juvenile, age 14, plus "any evidence of witchcraft ceremonies, which may include sexual activity injurious to the morals of a minor".

Attorney William A. Shira, III, who identified himself as representing Todd's church in addition to representing Todd personally, expressed the opinion that the foregoing search warrant had been gathered through perjury and that he hopes to quash the warrant.

During the execution of this warrant, on February 4, 1976, Todd said that Detective [REDACTED] of the Dayton Police Department had gone into the basement of his home; had broken items on the altar, including the chalice; had bent the brass candle sticks by throwing them against the wall; had broken all the candles and had scattered salt and incense used in Wicca ceremonies and additionally had turned the altar upside down.

[REDACTED] he said, was accompanied by an unknown Dayton Police Detective in his mid twenties, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing 170 pounds, with black hair.

Present during this search were uniformed officers from the Fairborn, Ohio Police Department, including Sergeant, first name unknown, [REDACTED] and Patrolman [REDACTED]

Todd said he had no complaint against the Fairborn Police Officers for their conduct.

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
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As to his being charged by Dayton Police with contributing to the unruliness of a minor, in connection with a 16 year old runaway, Todd volunteered the following information:

This girl had come to him claiming that she had been beaten by her father. On or about September 24, 1975, Todd was going to a convention at St. Paul, Minnesota, and this girl was riding with him to be dropped off in Chicago at her request, where she claimed to have friends.

Near Chicago, Todd called his store and talked with an employee there, named [REDACTED] who told him that the FBI and the Dayton Police Department had been there to search for this girl, over the objection of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] told Todd there was a teletype out for him for kidnapping this girl.

On receipt of this information, Todd immediately turned around and drove back to Dayton, Ohio, and released the girl to a representative of the Montgomery County, Ohio Prosecutor's Office.

He said as a result of this interview he understood that the FBI had not participated in any search of his store; he felt his contacts with the FBI had been put in their perspective and he no longer felt that any Agent of the FBI was involved in any conspiracy to violate his civil rights.

Todd said that the only persons against whom he wished to lodge a complaint for violating his civil rights were Detective [REDACTED] of the Dayton Police Department, as well as Sergeant (first name unknown) [REDACTED] and Detective (first name unknown) [REDACTED] both of whom are assigned to the Fifth District of the Dayton Police Department.

He said his complaint is based on harassment, in

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
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the events described, and illegal searches by Detective [REDACTED] who had also seized certain items in Todd's home of religious significance in violation of his civil rights.

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Todd was told that information furnished would be brought to the attention of the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

On February 24, 1976, [REDACTED] Assistant United States Attorney, Dayton, Ohio, advised that he had received a telephone call from Todd on an unknown date in late January or early February, 1976. Todd stated he was being harassed by the Dayton Police Department and a guy from the FBI, and he did not identify individuals further.

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[REDACTED] said he told Todd to have Todd's attorney research the Civil Rights Statutes and put the allegation in writing. Todd said he would have his National Headquarters attorney contact the United States Attorney in Dayton.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Todd had never registered any complaint about the Dayton Police or the FBI during these conversations.

Also, on February 24, 1976, [REDACTED] Senior Assistant United States Attorney, Dayton, Ohio, advised he was taking no action on the February 10, 1976 letter received by his office from the AADL, since he had no information indicating that the AADL is a reliable group.

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During his visit to the FBI Resident Agency the following descriptive and background information concerning Todd was obtained:

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SERGEANT (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DETECTIVE (FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) [REDACTED]  
DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT;  
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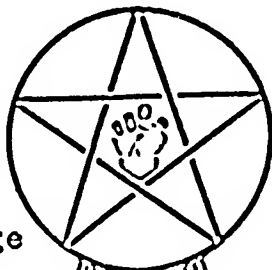
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Name:	Johnnie Wayne Todd
Alias:	Lance Collins
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Date of Birth:	May 19, 1949
Place of Birth:	Columbus, Ohio
Height:	6 feet 4½ inches
Weight:	220 pounds
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Brown
Characteristics:	Wears beard and mustache
Military Service:	U. S. Army, Special Forces, February 10, 1968 - July 30, 1970
Social Security Account Number:	273-50-2370
Residence:	123 West Xenia Drive, Fairborn, Ohio
Prior Residence:	3Z Row 2, Forest Avenue, Dayton, Ohio
Marital Status:	Married

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

# AQUARIAN ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, INC.



National Headquarters  
Post Office Box 3720  
Minneapolis, MN 55403  
February 10, 1976

Special Agent in Charge  
Dayton Field Office  
F.B.I.  
Federal Courthouse Bldg.  
Dayton, OH 45401

NEVER AGAIN THE BURNING!

Dear sir:

We are in receipt of a number of serious allegations from one of our supporters, concerning gross malfeasance and nonfeasance of office by the Dayton (Ohio) Police Department and the Dayton Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

These allegations have been brought to us by Mr. John Todd, owner and manager of The Witches Cauldron, a bookstore in Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Todd is a member of a minority belief system known as "Wicca" or "Neopagan's Witchcraft". It is his claim that there is a conspiracy to violate his civil rights on the part of FBI Agent [redacted] of the Dayton Field Office and Police

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Officers [redacted] and [redacted] of the Dayton Police Department, along with a party or parties unknown.

Over the course of the last year, Todd states that his home, and the homes of members of his church, have been repeatedly searched without warrants; his store has been searched by uniformed DPD Officers, without warrants; he has been shot at; his home has been firebombed; parties unknown have attempted to run him off the road; thieves caught robbing his store have been turned over to the DPD and released without charges or explanations; his religious objects and rooms have been smashed and desecrated; he has been beaten up by armed thugs warning him not to hold planned civil rights demonstrations; etc.; etc.

In every one of these incidents, local or federal police officers have been implicated by Todd, either as the felons involved or as accessories. Yet, he (and his attorney) have been unable to receive assistance from the Dayton District Attorney's Office, the Ohio State Attorney General's Office or the office of the U.S. Attorney in Dayton.

Todd claims that public officials in Dayton and Columbus, Ohio, have repeatedly implied that Witchcraft is not a "real religion", and that therefore they are not concerned with religious persecution. If this is true, then it is an unconstitutional infringement of Todd's religious freedom for him to be denied equal protection under the law, merely because he belongs to a religion considered "inferior" by those in high places.

Todd has recently stated to us that he fears for his life, and that of his wife and child. Efforts are apparently being made to place Todd in jail before February 21st, the date he has chosen for a nonviolent picketing of the Dayton City Hall. Todd fears that, should he be taken into police or FBI custody, he will be killed "while attempting to escape" and that he will never have a chance to clear his name in a court of law.

As a civil liberties organization for members of minority belief systems in the United States and Canada, the AQUARIAN ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, Inc., is investigating Todd's allegations. What he is claiming is not in our experience unusual. It has unfortunately become an accepted custom in parts of our country to feel that members of minority religions, whether they be Jews, Jehovah's Witnesses, Quakers or Witches, are somehow "fair game" for persecution and harrassment by or with the complicity of police officials.

We are asking your office to make a full investigation of this matter and to make a written report to Mr. Todd and ourselves of your findings. Should the results of your investigation tally with our own, we intend to take all possible legal steps to see to it that such abuses of the public trust do not take place again. We would hope that you would agree with us on the need to clean up proven corruption in law enforcement agencies, whatever your personal opinions may be of the value or lack of value of minority religions.

Mr. John Todd, who uses the religious name of Lance Collins, may be reached at his store: The Witches Cauldron, 3140 North Main Street, Dayton, OH 45405. The store telephone is 513-274-7114. His home number is 513-879-0319. He will be happy to supply details.

Reporter Wes Hill may be reached at the Dayton Daily News, Dayton, OH 45401. His office number is 513-225-2209 and his home number is [redacted] He is willing to support some of Todd's statements, based on his own investigation.

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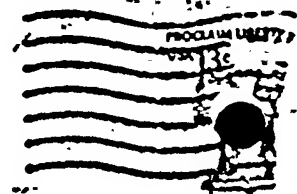
Our organization will be happy to answer any technical questions you may have, now or in the future, concerning matters of astrology, parapsychology, occultism or witchcraft beliefs. Although we do not take positions concerning controversial matters inside these belief systems, we nonetheless have access to the most competent experts in each of them. We can be reached by mail at the return address on this stationary, or you may call [redacted] at his home telephone number [redacted] or [redacted] at his home [redacted]

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We do not treat accusations of religious persecution lightly and it is our firm belief that you will not do so either. We do not seek refuge behind the Bill of Rights; we insist upon its recognition and support by all of our fellow Americans.

[redacted]

Aquarian Anti-Defamation  
League, Inc. National Hdqrs  
Box 3720 Minneapolis MN 55403



Special Agent in Charge  
Dayton Field Office  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Federal Courthouse Building  
Dayton, OH 45401



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Date:

3/1/76

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Precedence)

To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

- ☒ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION  
☒ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION  
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION  
☐ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

From: SAC, CINCINNATI (44-NEW) (C)

Subject: DETECTIVE [REDACTED]  
 SERGEANT (FNU) [REDACTED]  
 DETECTIVE (FNU) [REDACTED]  
 DAYTON, OHIO POLICE DEPARTMENT;  
 JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD - VICTIM

- ☒ CR ☐ EL ☐ DIH ☐ CRA-64  
☐ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF ☐ E  
☐ DAMV ☐ DAMV-FR ☐ CAA  
☐ AP ☐ IWFC ☐ CWAA ☐ FI  
☐ EID ☐ Bomb Threats ☐ Extremist Matters  
☐ White Hate ☐ Black

## Summary of Complaint:

The Aquarian Anti-Defamation League, by letter, dated 2/10/76, received by Dayton, Ohio RA, 2/18/76, alleged that TODD claimed a Special Agent of the FBI and Dayton Police Officers were conspiring to violate his civil rights. President of the Aquarian Anti-Defamation League, Minneapolis Minnesota, with a trustee of the Church and School of Wicca, Salem, Missouri was interviewed at the Dayton RA, as was TODD, who was accompanied by legal counsel. TODD now has no complaint against the Special Agent of the FBI.

Information copy being furnished Minneapolis since Aquarian Anti-Defamation League is located in Minneapolis.

INDICES: ☒ Negative ☐ See Summary

ACTION: UACB:

- ☒ No further action being taken and  
☒ LHM enclosed ☒ Copy to: ☒ USA Dayton, Ohio  
☐ FD-376 (Enc. to LHM) ☐ Secret Service  
☐ LHM being submitted ☐ ATF  
☐ Report being submitted  
☐ Preliminary investigation ins  
☐ Limited investigation institu  
☐ Investigation/continuing

2 - Bureau (Enc. 4)  
 1 - Minneapolis  
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 1 - Cincinnati

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 3/8/79

TO : SAC, BUTTE (52-5765)  
FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (52-5737) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: JOHN TODD, Aka.  
TGP (A)  
(OO: BUTTE)

Re Cincinnati teletype to Butte, 3/7/79.

Enclosed for Butte is one xerox copy of Cincinnati airtel to Bureau and accompanying LHM, dated 3/1/76, captioned, "DETECTIVE [REDACTED] ET AL," which contains information pertaining to subject.

The enclosed is being furnished for the information of the Butte Office, and no further investigation is contemplated by Cincinnati.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 3/23/79

An individual, who identified himself as JOHN TODD, was interviewed at his residence located off of the county line road northwest of Florence, Montana. DALE E. DYE, Sheriff, Ravalli County Sheriff's Office, Hamilton, Montana, accompanied Special Agent JOSEPH H. SERVEL on this interview.

[redacted] and [redacted] were also present in the room with TODD during his interview.

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At the outset of the interview TODD was informed of the personal and official identities of Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE. He was informed he was being interviewed concerning his possible possession of fully automatic weapons and other military hardware.

TODD immediately denied having any military weapons, other military hardware or illegal weapons. He said he is aware of the fact that it is illegal to possess a fully automatic weapon without proper licenses. He also stated it is no secret that he has a number of weapons, reloading supplies and equipment and other "survival" gear and offered to make them available for inspection.

From personal observation, it was noted that there are numerous rifles, several shotguns and a quantity of reloading supplies and equipment at the TODD residence.

After executing a Consent to Search, TODD indicated he would allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look at his "assault" weapons, which were in his bedroom under the bed.

In his bedroom TODD had the following weapons:

Make	Colt AR15
Caliber	.223
Serial #	SP 57495

Make	H & K Military T-3
Caliber	.308
Serial #	A0-13924

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*JS* SA JOSEPH H. SERVEL/imw

3/19/79

Date dictated

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Make	Remington, Model 870
Caliber	12 gauge
Serial #	T 506395 V
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.44 magnum with seven and one-half inch barrel
Serial #	82-46051
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.357 Magnum with six inch barrel
Serial #	33-27867
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	57868G70
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	04955G70

TODD identified these weapons as his "assault" weapons. He said he could understand their being checked out; however, when requested to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to continue to check the serial numbers on the other rifles and shotguns in the house, he refused to do so, indicating he did not feel the search and/or check should go any further without a search warrant.

TODD was asked whether or not he had any other weapons that could be mistaken for military weapons, and he stated he did not. He denied having any military grenades and offered to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look around outside.

TODD stated that included with the house, which he is renting, he has ten acres of land. This is all

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heavily wooded and a close search was not possible. A newly constructed target backstop was located a short distance from the house. It was evident this target backstop had not been used very much as of the date of this interview.

TODD advised he derives his income through writing books and articles published by CHICK PUBLICATIONS, Cucamonga, California, and publication of "The Survival Newsletter." Numerous copies of this newsletter were on the floor of the family room, where TODD was first interviewed, and he furnished a copy to Special Agent SERVEL.

JOHN WAYNE TODD is described as follows:

Name	JOHN WAYNE TODD
Aliases	JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD LANCE COLLINS
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	May 19, 1949
Place of Birth	Columbus, Ohio
Height	6'4"
Weight	220#
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Military Service	He claims U. S. Army Special Forces, February, 1968 - July, 1970
Social Security Account and Service #	273-50-2370
Residence	Florence, Montana
Marital Status	Married
Occupation	Writer, editor of "The Survival Newsletter," Post Office Box #115, Florence, Montana 59833

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
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☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
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Date 3/21/79

TO: SAC, BUTTE (52-5765)  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (52-20016) (13) (RUC)  
RE: JOHN TODD, aka  
Lance Collins  
TGP (A)  
OO: Butte

Reference Butte teletype to Los Angeles dated 3/6/79; Los Angeles telephone call to Butte on 3/13/79.

On 3/7/79, California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) was queried for additional background information concerning subject to include drivers license, driving history, and all vehicles registered to subject within the State of California. CLETS produced approximately 12 to 14 JOHN TODDs and LANCE COLLINS', none of which could be determined to captioned subject due to lack of specific identifying data of subject by the Los Angeles Division.

On 3/13/79, per referenced telephone call, the Butte Division advised that the subject had been further identified as JOHN WAYNE TODD, also known as Lance Collins described as:

Date of birth	5/19/46
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Height	6'4"
Weight	210 pounds

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LA 52-20016

Social Security Number 273-50-2370

Again, all efforts were made by the Los Angeles Division to further identify subject and also determine whether or not he was wanted within the Los Angeles Division. CLETS was negative for any additional descriptive data, drivers license, or vehicles registered to subject in California. Arrest checks at the Los Angeles, California Police Department, the Los Angeles County, California Sheriff's Office, the Santa Ana, California Police Department and the Orange County, California Sheriff's Office met with negative results for any arrest record information identifiable with subject. Indices of the Los Angeles Division also negative.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE AND  
INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM ANONYMOUS CALLER PER REFERENCED  
TELETYPE, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY  
DANGEROUS.

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## PRECEDENCE:

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Date 4/3/79

TO: SAC, BUTTE (52-5765)  
 FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (52-5513) (RUC)  
 SUBJECT: JOHN TODD, aka  
 Lance Collins;  
 TGP (A)  
 OO: BUTTE

Re Butte teletype to Bureau, 3/6/79; and telephone  
 call from SA [redacted] Phoenix, to SA [redacted]  
 3/7/79.

Enclosed for Butte are two copies of Arizona drivers  
 license numbers [redacted] and [redacted] in the name of [redacted]  
 and [redacted]

Butte was advised that Phoenix FBI Indices, Phoenix  
 Police Department, and Maricopa County Sheriff's Department  
 records regarding subject were negative.

Enclosed drivers license photos being forwarded  
 to Butte for elimination.

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## RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally \_\_\_\_\_ By Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Written Communication 4/5/79  
date date date

Information concerning:

JOHN WAYNE TODD,  
aka John Todd, Johnnie Wayne Todd,  
Lance Collins  
TGP (A) OO: Butte

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:  
52-5765

Information furnished was obtained:

☒ during course of Bureau investigation

☐ from informants

☒ from complainants or other sources (anonymous caller)

Information furnished to:

U. S. Secret Service, Spokane, Washington  
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms

Number of items disseminated: LHM (one copy to each of the above)

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(2) *nmw*JOSEPH H. SERVEL

Special Agent

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4/5/79

TO: SAC, ALBUQUERQUE  
FROM: SAC, BUTTE (52-5765) (C)  
SUBJECT: CHANGED (Interoffice)  
JOHN WAYNE TODD  
aka John Todd;  
Johnnie Wayne Todd;  
Lance Collins  
TGP (A)  
OO: Butte  
BuFile #52-104224

Re Butte teletype to Bureau, 3/6/79.

Receiving offices should discontinue any further investigation. Matter being closed by Butte.

TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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- 2 - Indianapolis (52-4626) (AM)
- 2 - Phoenix (AM)
- ① - Butte

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Butte, Montana 59701  
April 5, 1979

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JOHN WAYNE TODD,  
also known as John Todd,  
Johnnie Wayne Todd,  
Lance Collins  
THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

At 2:50 p.m., March 5, 1979, an anonymous caller telephoned the FBI at Butte, Montana, stating that he would not stay on the phone long, would not state where he was calling from, nor identify himself. The caller sounded like an adult male, he used good grammar, was well spoken, he did not seem to be at all intoxicated.

The caller advised that JOHN TODD resides on a 10-acre farm at Route #1, Box #143, Florence, Montana. He stated that TODD claims to be a mercenary and that he was formerly a part of the "Jones thing," from the Los Angeles area.

The Agent asked the caller what he was referring to in the "Jones thing." He advised that it was a part of the organization which participated in the mass suicide.

The caller advised that TODD has been training persons on the 10-acre farm near Florence in the use of M-16 fully automatic weapons and other foreign-made automatic weapons. The caller stated that he personally observed TODD and others burying a box of hand grenades on the farm and also he saw five LARS Rockets. He stated that he has observed people training in weapons and hand-to-hand combat. He described JOHN TODD as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6' 4"
Weight	220#

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JOHN WAYNE TODD

The caller said TODD claims he was formerly with the Special Forces and he usually wears Special Forces-type fatigue clothing.

The caller advised that TODD has been in the Florence, Montana, area for about two months.

An attempt was made to obtain the identity of the caller and an attempt was made to have him be in touch with an FBI Special Agent. He refused such a contact.

The caller advised that TODD and his group were supposed to be going to Los Angeles this weekend for some type of a mission, the nature of which was unknown to him.

Information relating to JOHN TODD is contained in an article, captioned "The Legend(s) of John Todd," that appeared in the February 2, 1979, issue of "Christianity Today," Volume XXIII, #9, HAROLD MYRA PUBLISHER and KENNETH S. KANTZER, Editor (see attached pages).

# The Legend(s) of John Todd

Is witch-turned-evangelist John Todd a prophet sent from God to warn America about an impending takeover by sinister forces, or a fraud?

Fundamentalists across America disagree over the question, charismatic leaders are fighting mad, and some supporters are stockpiling food, stashing weapons, and building fortified "retreat" hideaways in preparation for a last stand against the hordes of evil.

Todd, 29, meanwhile has announced that he is through. He told friends in the Los Angeles area last month that he has been shot at frequently and that his house was firebombed. Therefore, he said, he will take no more speaking engagements; he, his wife, and three children will head for a secret retreat location.

"I tried to wake up the people in this country," he is quoted as saying. "But they didn't listen."

Until a year ago Todd was unknown in most church circles. On January 1, 1978, he joined independent Faith Baptist Church in Canoga Park, California. That same day he headed East where a speaking tour had been arranged by Pastor Tom Berry of the 3,000-member Bible Baptist Church in Elkton, Maryland. The tour, which began with two meetings in the Elkton church, was prolonged as the word spread about Todd's sensational revelations.

"We've had many great preachers in our pulpit, but there was more talk around town after he left than with any other preacher we've had," reported Pastor Dino Pedrone of the Open Door Church in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, where Todd addressed more than 1,000 people last February.

Pedrone, who had invited Todd on Berry's recommendation, recorded Todd's talks and circulated copies of them widely. The church, he said, gave Todd about \$1,000 for a rehabilitation center for ex-witches that Todd supposedly was establishing. (Pedrone says he has reservations about Todd now, and that he would probably not invite him back.)

In June, a reporter covered Todd's appearance at a large Baptist church in

Zionsville, Indiana, and United Press International flashed the story across the nation. Meanwhile, taped cassettes of his messages were being circulated everywhere, often anonymously. And for every person with reservations about Todd, there were others, including Berry, who seemed convinced that Todd's messages were authentic.

Berry has produced a manual, "The Christian During Riot and After Revolution," that incorporates Todd's views. It includes a section on "the morality of killing," and tells Christians to buy weapons and ammunition, and to build retreats.

**'We found a very negative situation conducted by an ex-Satanist, ex-Christian priest as a cover for sexual perversion and drug abuse.'**

As Todd tells it, he was born into witchcraft and became a Grand Druid high priest in the Illuminati, a secret group of powerful conspirators, which, Todd says, plans a world takeover. He says he was also a member of the "Council of Thirteen," one of the chosen few who rank just below the world-ruling Rothschild family, Jewish bankers with roots in eighteenth-century Europe who Todd claims are really demons.

Todd says he joined the army to establish covens of witches, that he became a decorated Green Beret in Viet Nam, and that he was later transferred to Germany, where he killed a former commanding officer in a two-hour shootout in Stuttgart. He says the Illuminati got him out of jail and that the Pentagon destroyed all his military records.

The Illuminati, Todd says, have already begun implementing their plans for a world takeover. He says an upheaval is slated in the United States in 1979. Todd also publicly claims that President Jimmy Carter is the Anti-Christ, and that his sister Ruth Carter Stapleton is a leading high priestess of witchcraft who taught Todd the finer points of the bewitching arts. The President, Todd alleges, takes

orders directly "from the Rothschilds." According to Todd, Carter would push through legislation that would outlaw private ownership of guns, remove tax exemptions from all churches except those associated with the National Council of Churches, ban conversion to another religion, and prohibit the storing of food and medicine. The Rothschilds, Todd alleges, will create a false fuel shortage, confiscate all guns, and call for the murder and torture of Christians (whose names have been stored in computers). Congress will be suspended and martial law established, with one policeman for every five people. There will be economic chaos.

To survive, Todd says, Christians must arm themselves, build up food supplies to last five years, hide in wilderness fortresses, and kill attackers.

The worldwide conspiracy is so extensive that Christians can trust no one today, not even America's best-known evangelical preachers and lay leaders, says Todd. He charges that while he was a high-ranking witch he sent an \$8 million check to Pastor Chuck Smith of famed Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa, California, to set up the Maranatha music company and launch "Jesus rock" music. (Smith denied the charge in his church publication.)

Todd claims that he delivered \$35 million to founder Demos Shakarian of the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship; he alleges that Shakarian is a leading figure in the 'Illuminati. The witches,

Todd says, also helped build Melodyland Christian Center in Anaheim, whose pastor—Ralph Wilkerson—is part of the conspiracy. Todd similarly implicates the CBN and PTL Christian television networks and their leaders. He hints that glossolalia, itself, is an invention of witches.

In a recent attack, Todd alleged that television preacher Jerry Falwell, a non-charismatic, was "bought off" with a \$50 million check during a trip to the Middle East. (When some of his hard-core followers expressed dismay, Todd tried to have the remark erased from the tapes, according to an informant.) Falwell's church, Thomas Road Baptist in Lynchburg, Virginia, last month returned Todd's fire with a blistering editorial against Todd in the church newspaper, which is sent to many of Falwell's TV viewers.

Incredible as it all seems, thousands of church members, including a number of pastors, have apparently accepted all or most of Todd's message as gospel truth—despite statements of outrage and denial by charismatic leaders, along with protests by experts in occult studies that Todd's accounts are simply false.

Most of Todd's listeners have assumed that he is also telling the truth about his conversion from witchcraft to Christianity, an event that took place in San Antonio in October, 1972, according to his testimonies in numerous churches last year.

He says he embraced Christianity after reading a Chick Publications tract, seeing the movie *The Cross and the Switchblade*, and being exposed to the ministries of a Christian coffeehouse and the Castle Hills Baptist Church. The church pastor at that time, Jack Taylor, affirms that Todd indeed had made a profession of faith, though little else was known about him. Taylor later uncovered discrepancies in Todd's accounts and since has become a Todd critic.

### 'Strange Things Happen'

"Strange things began to happen" when Todd returned to California from his first eastern tour in early April, 1978, says Pastor Roland Rasmussen of Faith Baptist in Canoga Park. Todd claimed several times that he had been shot at in the vicinity of the church parking lot.

Todd told Rasmussen that he had gone through a period of backsliding. He said he had sold occult books from a store he ran for a while in Dayton, Ohio, but emphasized he had never gone back into occult activity.

Then one of Todd's friends in the congregation, occult researcher Mike Griffin, informed the pastor about a startling discovery. Griffin had borrowed from Todd a recording made from a television newscast of a meeting the ex-witch had conducted in Ventura, California. Listening to it privately, Griffin heard more than the brief newscast since the taped cassette also had been used to record an earlier meeting where Todd was instructing would-be witches how to mix potions and cast spells. Todd's own statements during the recorded class session indicate that it was held on March 3, 1976, in the Dayton store known as The Witches Caldron, and that he had been involved in occult practices since at least the previous March.

(On the tape, Todd—his witch name is Lance Collins—makes such statements as "I feel witchcraft is more powerful than Christianity" and "we're not Christians.")

Rasmussen called a meeting of the deacons on May 27, when they confronted Todd with excerpts of the tape. The pastor also reminded Todd that he carried no gun—contrary to what Todd had told an Indiana audience from personal knowledge a short time earlier. Todd, offering virtually no explanation, shrugged and left—after retrieving his automatic pistol that tumbled from his hip pocket when he got up from his chair. On the next night, the church voted unanimously to eject Todd from membership and remove endorsement of his ministry.

Rasmussen was introduced to Todd in June, 1977, by Jack Chick of Chick Publi-

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cations in ne Cucamonga, and Rasmussen was in turn introduced to Berry. Chick, a Baptist, says he first heard Todd in 1973 at a meeting of charismatic evangelist Doug Clark's "Amazing Prophecies" group. Impressed, Chick featured Todd in several Christian comic-book stories. Despite the controversy, he says he still believes Todd, though he admits to "not knowing what to believe" about Todd's charge that prominent charismatic ministers are agents of the Illuminati.

### Support From Clergy

Berry and four other prominent Baptist ministers, along with several associates, met with Todd at Villa Baptist Church in Indianapolis. They later released a paper reaffirming their beliefs that Todd is genuinely born again, that he is sincerely trying to serve Christ, and that his accounts of experiences in the ruling circles of witchcraft "are reliable reports."

Todd, however, hit the road again with a heavy schedule of meetings, some of them arranged by Berry. At a closed meeting of nearly 3,000 pastors and lay leaders hosted by Berry in a Maryland restaurant, Todd again recounted his experiences as a witch and as a member of the Illuminati. He also retraced his conversion in 1972 in San Antonio.

But Todd apparently didn't tell everything. CHRISTIANITY TODAY has learned, for example, that Todd showed up in Phoenix early in 1968 as a 19-year-old Pentecostal storefront preacher with a wife named Linda and her four-year-old child Tanya. While staying with relatives, he called Pastor James Outlaw of the Jesus Name Church and asked to be rebaptized. Todd said he had been studying the teachings of William Brannam and wanted to be rebaptized in the name of Jesus only. (Brannam taught that God manifests himself in different ways at different times but is always Jesus.)

Todd testified to Outlaw that he had been a witch while in "the navy" but was converted while attending a storefront Pentecostal church in southern California.

Outlaw says Todd disappeared and returned months later without Linda. Todd explained that God had given them a prophecy to split up and seek other mates. The pastor says he and his wife admonished Todd about the error of such thinking but nevertheless helped him get a job as a busboy in a Mexican restaurant. Then Todd disappeared again and did not return until late 1972 or early 1973. Outlaw introduced Todd this time to Pentecostal Ken Long, a local leader of the Jesus movement who operated the "Open Door" coffeehouse.

Long, who has since switched from Pentecostalism and become pastor of Bible Heritage Free Will Baptist Church in Phoenix, enlisted Todd as a coffeehouse worker. "Things began happening," declares Long. "John Todd did

miracles." Long said he watched Todd heal a handicapped youth's leg.

On one excursion, Long and Todd met Sharon Carver in San Antonio. She returned with them to Phoenix and married Todd in August, 1973. Meanwhile, Long says he began getting reports that Todd was trying to seduce teenage girls at the coffeehouse. (Two later confessed that they had sexual relations with him.) Four girls revealed that Todd wanted them to form a witches coven and that he told them that he was still in witchcraft. Long later removed Todd from the coffeehouse ministry.

Todd drifted from job to job and then struck paydirt. He gave his "testimony" during a telethon for a Christian TV station. He claimed that the Illuminati were financing some fundamentalist churches, that he had been the Kennedy family's personal warlock ("John F. Kennedy was not really killed; I just came back from a visit with him on his yacht"), and that he had witnessed the stabbing of a girl by Senator George McGovern in an act of sacrifice.

More than \$25,000 was pledged during the telethon and the management offered to employ Todd—who was then, reportedly, packing a .38 snub-nosed revolver. He eventually declined. Doug Clark heard of Todd and invited him to appear on his "Amazing Prophecies" show. Overnight Todd became a hit in charismatic circles in southern California, and he and Sharon moved to Santa Ana.

Soon the Todds were hosting dozens of young people at a weekly Bible study in their home. A few young people were converted, said Sharon, but there were distressing things, too. She said that Todd was blending elements of witchcraft with his Christian teaching and seducing some of the girls, several of whom confided in leaders at Melodyland Christian Center. In an ugly confrontation with Melodyland church leaders around Christmas, 1973, Todd denied the charges and stormed out.

### A Matter of Records

Clark denounced Todd on TV, and the Todds headed back to San Antonio. Throughout their marriage Todd had been using drugs, says Sharon, and he was dropping in and out of witchcraft. He spoke of trying to reinlist in the army (he had served from February, 1969, to July, 1970), and he obtained his army records. (Although he is still telling audiences that the records do not exist, CHRISTIANITY TODAY has obtained a copy that shows he spent only twenty-five days overseas—in Germany, not Viet Nam.)

Family members say that Todd was witnessing to Sharon's relatives about Christ but at the same time was trying to enlist them in witchcraft, apparently for sexual reasons. He made Sharon's teenage sister pregnant, alleged both Sharon and the sister. The latter says she finally received Christ several months ago, but

had been turned off to Christianity almost completely by Todd. (Todd declined to be interviewed for this report.)

Finally, the lanky 6'4" Todd left Sharon in mid-1974 and went to Dayton where he met Sheila Spoonmore. The pair apparently lived together for about two years before getting married. During this period Todd operated The Witches Caldron. He attracted the attention of authorities when parents of teenage girls complained he was corrupting their children's morals. One 16-year-old finally agreed to tell the police what was going on at Todd's house and store. She said that witchcraft initiation rites were carried out in the nude, and that Todd had forced her to have oral sex.

Todd pleaded guilty to contributing to the unruliness of a minor and served two months of a six-month sentence in a county institution. Chick and a lawyer succeeded in getting him released early for medical reasons. (He was said to be having seizures.) He was placed on five years' probation which he promptly broke by leaving the state. He traveled to Phoenix, where Ken Long got him a job as a cook in a steak house. "Todd swore he was out of witchcraft for good," says Long, "but after only two weeks on the job he was talking to two girls about plans to open up an occult bookstore." Todd, however, abruptly left town, and Long has not seen him since.

Todd's occult operation in Dayton held a temporary charter as the Watchers Church of Wicca under the National Church and School of Wicca, headquartered in New Bern, North Carolina. Todd appealed to Wicca head Gavin Frost and civil rights specialist Isaac Bonnawitz to help him with the police problems in Dayton. Both men investigated quietly, and Frost announced their findings in the Wicca news letter:

"We found absolutely no foundation for the charges of persecution made by the Todds; rather we found a very negative situation conducted by an ex-Satanist, ex-Christian priest as a cover for sexual perversion and drug abuse. Todd is armed and dangerous, and any activity by him should immediately be reported to the Church of Wicca."

Todd's police record shows that a felony warrant was issued against him in New Mexico for passing a bad check. He was arrested in Columbus in 1968 for malicious destruction of property. He was treated for drug overdose at an army installation in Maryland in 1969. A warrant for his arrest awaits him in Ohio, as does a judgment against him for \$22,000 in a defamation case.

Todd claims many of the police are associated with Freemasonry, an Illuminati organization, and therefore should be considered enemies. In an interview, Berry said he thinks the theory is a plausible one.

The freemasonry is what forced Strom Thurmond off the Bob Jones University board after Todd spread the word that the senator is a mason.

Todd was given psychiatric examinations twice while in the army. His records indicate evidence of an unstable home background and possible brain damage as a result of beatings. The second examination a few months later labeled his malady "emotional instability with pseudologica phantastica." Todd finds it difficult to tell reality from fantasy, says a medical report. It spoke of homicidal threats he had made on another, false suicide reports, and a severe personality disturbance. It saw no hope for change and recommended Todd's discharge.

Pastor Clifford Wicks of the 850-member Grace Brethren Church in Somerset, Pennsylvania, cancelled Todd after he delivered the third of four scheduled messages in his church last month.

Wicks said reaction to Todd was mixed and that some persons experienced revival. However, Wicks reported one particularly disturbing reaction to Todd. Some people in the community, expressing a sense of dismay and helplessness at the coming events as predicted by Todd, said: "Pastor, we will not allow them to torture our families; we have decided that we will kill our children before that happens."

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JOHN WAYNE TODD

Investigation conducted by the Albuquerque, Indianapolis, Phoenix, and Los Angeles offices of the FBI failed to disclose any warrants currently outstanding for JOHN WAYNE TODD.

On March 7, 1979, [redacted] Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, Police Department, advised that a review of their respective files revealed the following information regarding JOHN WAYNE TODD:

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TODD was arrested initially on February 10, 1976, and charged with Contributing To Unruliness, however, on October 13, 1976, the charge was changed to Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Minor and he was sentenced to six months at the Dayton Human Relation Center. [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, Police Department, advised the only charges outstanding for Subject is a traffic capias issued October 13, 1978, for charge of No Driver's License and the charge is still pending.

Inquiry through the National Crime Information Center failed to disclose any warrants currently outstanding for JOHN WAYNE TODD.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 3/23/79

An individual, who identified himself as JOHN TODD, was interviewed at his residence located off of the county line road northwest of Florence, Montana. DALE E. DYE, Sheriff, Ravalli County Sheriff's Office, Hamilton, Montana, accompanied Special Agent JOSEPH H. SERVEL on this interview.

[redacted] and [redacted] were also present in the room with TODD during his interview.

At the outset of the interview TODD was informed of the personal and official identities of Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE. He was informed he was being interviewed concerning his possible possession of fully automatic weapons and other military hardware.

TODD immediately denied having any military weapons, other military hardware or illegal weapons. He said he is aware of the fact that it is illegal to possess a fully automatic weapon without proper licenses. He also stated it is no secret that he has a number of weapons, reloading supplies and equipment and other "survival" gear and offered to make them available for inspection.

From personal observation, it was noted that there are numerous rifles, several shotguns and a quantity of reloading supplies and equipment at the TODD residence.

After executing a Consent to Search, TODD indicated he would allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look at his "assault" weapons, which were in his bedroom under the bed.

In his bedroom TODD had the following weapons:

Make	Colt AR15
Caliber	.223
Serial #	SP 57495

Make	H & K Military T-3
Caliber	.308
Serial #	AO 13924

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Make	Remington, Model 870
Caliber	12 gauge
Serial #	T 506395 V
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.44 magnum with seven and one-half -inch barrel
Serial #	82-46051
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.357 Magnum -with six inch barrel
Serial #	33-27867
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	57868G70
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	04955G70

TODD identified these weapons as his "assault" weapons. He said he could understand their being checked out; however, when requested to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to continue to check the serial numbers on the other rifles and shotguns in the house, he refused to do so, indicating he did not feel the search and/or check should go any further without a search warrant.

TODD was asked whether or not he had any other weapons that could be mistaken for military weapons, and he stated he did not. He denied having any military grenades and offered to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look around outside.

TODD stated that included with the house, which he is renting, he has ten acres of land. This is all

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heavily wooded and a close search was not possible. A newly constructed target backstop was located a short distance from the house. It was evident this target backstop had not been used very much as of the date of this interview.

TODD advised he derives his income through writing books and articles published by CHICK PUBLICATIONS, Cucamonga, California, and publication of "The Survival Newsletter." Numerous copies of this newsletter were on the floor of the family room, where TODD was first interviewed, and he furnished a copy to Special Agent SERVEL.

JOHN WAYNE TODD is described as follows:

Name	JOHN WAYNE TODD
Aliases	JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD LANCE COLLINS
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	May 19, 1949
Place of Birth	Columbus, Ohio
Height	6'4"
Weight	220#
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Military Service	He claims U. S. Army Special Forces, February, 1968 - July, 1970
Social Security Account and Service #	273-50-2370
Residence	Florence, Montana
Marital Status	Married
Occupation	Writer, editor of "The Survival Newsletter," Post Office Box #115, Florence, Montana 59833

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JOHN WAYNE TODD

The serials numbers on the "assault" guns made available by JOHN WAYNE TODD during his interview on March 14, 1979, were checked through the National Crime Information Center. This check was negative.

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FROM: SAC, BUTTE (52-5765) (C)  
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Lance Collins  
TGP (A)  
OO: Butte

Title changed to show Subject's complete name  
and known aliases.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an  
LHM.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated to the  
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and Firearms.

No further action being taken by Butte.

TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY  
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Very truly yours,

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